It is a 9-days trip with an all inclusive tariff of Rs. 4,500/-per passenger.

(c) to (g) Similar other trains, upon the responses received on the operation of the trains in the initial circuits, would be introduced on various circuits covering tourist destinations in Northern, Eastern, Western and Southern India. The fare on the "Bharat Darshan" Special Tourist Train is approximately Rs. 450/-per passenger per day.

Dedicated rail lines for goods

1728. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that railways propose to prepare a comprehensive plan for dedicated rail liijes for goods in the country;

(b) if so, the board details of modernization project;

(c) the total outlay involved in the project;

(d) whether this has since been prepared and submitted to the Planning Commission; and

(e) if so, the present status of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS: (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

New railway line between Mumbai and Pune

†1729. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about a distance of 50 kilometers can be reduced between Mumbai and Pune by laying a new railway line from Ksara Bank to New Mumbai;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to conduct any survey in this context;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THEMINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Status of railway projects for Jharkhand

†1730. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the railway projects sanctioned for Jharkhand;

(b) the quantum of amount allotted for the railway projects of Jharkhand for the ongoing financial year; and

(c) by when the work pertaining to changing of Meter gauge rail line into Broad gauge rail line at Ranchi-Lohardaga rail line is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) and (b) The status of various ongoing projects falling fully or partly in Jharkhand, their anticipated cost, expenditure incurred upto 31.3.2004, outlay for 2004-05 and the target date of completion, wherever fixed are given as under:

Sl. No.	Name of project	Anticipated cost (Rs. in cr.)	Anticipated Expenditure upto 31.3.2004 (Rs. in cr.)	Outlay 2004-2005 in cr.)	Current Status/Target date for completion wherever fixed (Rs.
			NEW LINES		
1.	Deogarh-Dumka (60 kms.)	180.72	33.51	15.00	Land acquisition, earthwork and bridge work are in progress. Work is targeted for completion during 2006-07. 2/3rd cost of the project is being shared by Jharkhand Govemment
2.	Deogarh-Sultanganj, Banka-Barahatand Banfca-Bhitiah Road (147 kms.)	312.00	42.86	8.00	Final location survey, land acquisition and bridge works are in progress. Banka-Baraha (13 kms.) is targeted for completion during 2004-05.

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